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The Barbara Jordan Forum at the LBJ School hosts a discussion on race and the juvenile justice system at 2:15 p.m. in SRH 3.122.

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Watch this year's Oscar-nominated animated short films at 1 p.m. at the Alamo Drafthouse on South Lamar.

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Comedian Jerry Seinfeld performs at Bass Concert Hall at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$65.

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Quote to note

"They just pounded us inside, especially in the second half. They wanted it more than us, they got the 50-50 balls, that's why they kicked our butts inside."

— **Tristan Thompson**

Longhorn forward

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RUNNING STRONG

Athletes compete in test of speed, strive to attain first-place finishes at 20th annual Austin Marathon

By **Chris Medina**
Daily Texan Staff

On a morning when the sun didn't peek out of the cloudy sky until 9:30 a.m., Keith Pierce turned the corner of Congress Avenue onto the final 100-meter stretch of the Austin Marathon.

Pierce, who's from Cedar Park, won the race for the second year in a row, finishing with a time of 2:29:25, almost nine minutes longer than his 2010 time. Pierce is the only Central Texan to win the full marathon.

The annual Livestrong Austin Marathon, which celebrated its 20th anniversary Sunday, began at 6:30 a.m. for the 18,000-plus participants partaking in the full and half marathons — 26.2 miles and 13.1 miles, respectively.

The marathon, which had representatives from all 50 states and more than 20 countries, has brought in more than \$90 million to the local economy since 1992, according to Livestrong.

Mayor Lee Leffingwell and Joan Benoit Samuelson, the winner of the first Olympic women's marathon in 1984 and the current record holder for the Boston Marathon, Chicago Marathon and Olympic Marathon, spoke to the runners before the start.

Samuelson completed the half marathon alongside her daughter, Abby, and Austin resident Lance Armstrong. Armstrong finished in an hour and 22 minutes and 53-year-old Samuelson in 1:24:52.

Leffingwell and U.S. Rep. Lloyd Doggett, D-Texas, held the first-place banners for each event at the finish line.

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Tamir Kalifa | Daily Texan Staff

20,000 runners from all over the world burst out of the starting chute on Congress Avenue for the 20th annual Livestrong Austin Full and Half Marathons, benefiting 26 Texas charities.

FUNDING 40 ACRES

UT's campaign to raise capital sees donations spike in 2011

Editor's Note: This is the first in a four-part series examining the sources of UT's funding.

By **Matt Stottlemire**
Daily Texan Staff

The University's \$3 billion capital campaign has received more donations in 2011 than the same time last year. From 2009 to 2010, however, higher-education donations remained stagnant nationwide, according to a recent survey.

UT's current capital campaign, called the Campaign for Texas, began in 2006 and remains less than halfway to its goal of raising \$3 billion by 2014. The campaign has brought the University \$1.3 billion so far. Although behind schedule in achieving its goal, the campaign brought in just more than 13 percent of UT's to-

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MONEY RAISED

\$1,343,367,364

Total donations since 2006

\$288,933,002

Donations in FY 2009

\$301,225,670

Donations in FY 2010

\$112,879,380

(Ongoing) Donations in FY 2011

Valley officials challenge outcome of census count

Editor's note: This is the final installment in a two-part series about the 2010 Census in South Texas.

By **Bobby Cervantes**
Daily Texan Staff

Before the official census count ended, community activists and local elected officials in the Rio Grande Valley warned that the region's population figures would suffer from a severe undercount.

As Texas' population figures were released Thursday, three of the Valley's four county judges said they are likely to sue the bureau to force an adjustment in the counties' population estimates.

According to the data, Hidalgo County saw a 36-percent increase in its population since 2000, from 569,463 to 774,769. But Hidalgo County Judge Ramon Garcia said he thinks the figure stands at closer to 1 million.

San Antonio-based attorney Rolando Rios said the undercount in Valley colonias — communities along the Texas-Mexico border — is not surprising.

"Decade after decade, this happens," said Rios, who has been involved in census disputes in South Texas since the 1970s. "There are

always mistakes when [the census] comes down here."

Rios said Valley lawyers must make the case that the population in Valley counties has boomed more than the bureau thought. If the bureau's neighborhood data estimates that 10 people live on a certain block in Hidalgo County, for example, the lawyers must go to the block and physically count the number of people they see living there.

The Equal Voice Network, a cohort of local groups that have worked in the colonias for decades, offers services and community support for the low-income, often migrant workers that live there.

"An undercount is bad news," said Mike Seifert, the network's spokesman. "But down here, it's like a hurricane you don't recover from."

The network was been involved in a months-long media campaign in the colonias, where the bureau was supposed to mail out the forms. But colonia residents began contacting some community groups because they did not receive any forms, and some reported unannounced visits from census workers. The network demanded a meeting with the high-

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Board lets Lions Golf Course lease expire

By **Jasmin Sun**
Daily Texan Staff

Dense greenery may be a rarity in Central Texas but so is passing on the opportunity to generate additional millions in revenue.

The UT System Board of Regents voted unanimously Friday to allow the lease for city-operated Lions Municipal Golf Course to expire in May 2019, making way for plans to create new real estate developments that could earn considerable lease income for the University.

The decision further weakens the possibility of a future for the course. The 141-acre grounds is a part of the University-owned Brackenridge Tract, which includes UT student housing, a biological field laboratory for the campus, a youth sports complex and various commercial buildings leased from the Board.

The "Save Muny" campaign was created in 1972 after UT announced it was reclaiming the land to build student housing. In response to UT's current interest in the land, a group of advocates re-formed in 2007 to

discourage future development of the space.

The city currently pays \$414,720 a year in rent to the UT System for the course, but UT officials have said building a mixed-use development on the land could bring in at least \$5.5 million.

Despite the financial reasoning behind the regents' decision, longtime players and Lions Municipal employees feel the Board is misjudging the profitability of developing the land.

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A golfer putts at the Lions Municipal Golf Course on Sunday. On Friday, the UT Regents voted to forgo renewing the lease on the public course in 2019.

Andrew Edmonson
Daily Texan Staff

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tal operating budget of about \$2.1 billion last year.

UT Budget Director Mary Knight said although it generally makes up a smaller portion of the budget than other revenue streams, private gifts to the University will become more important to the operating budget as state allocations continue to shrink.

She said the endowments' private donations fund provides a reliable source of income for the University.

"The recurring income generated from endowments are budgeted sources that can be used for salaries, scholarships, buildings and other expenses, as authorized by the donor," Knight said. "Philanthropy enhances the academic and research missions by allowing us to attract talented and high-quality faculty and researchers with salary supplements and student scholarships to make us more competitive with our peers."

The Council for Aid to Education, a New York-based nonprofit research firm, released a survey this month that found charitable giving to higher-education institutions increased half of a percent in 2010. Total nationwide higher-education dona-

tions increased slightly over 2009 to \$28 billion, the same total the survey found in 2006.

The director of the survey, Ann Kaplan, said the nationwide trend has forced many universities in capital campaigns to push back the deadlines to complete their campaigns. UT raised the 22nd highest amount in 2010 of any university that participated in the survey, and the UT System raised the second most of any system.

The University raised \$235 million and the UT System raised \$706 million in 2010. The University of California system raised the most of any system in 2010, with \$1.3 billion. Stanford and Harvard raised the first and second most, respectively, for single universities, with just under \$600 million each. Kaplan said during the recent economic downturn, schools have had to remain in contact with donors who may not give as much as in the past. She said donation trends often cycle and maintaining a balance between private and corporate donations is increasingly important.

"It's good when institutions have a variety of different donors, so that when one area takes longer to recover, you have more options, and it's good to have more diversity within groups, as far as small and large donations," Kaplan said. In 2010, Kaplan said UT had its strongest year so

far for corporate donations, with a total of \$70.5 million. She said the next highest year came in 2008 with \$59.1 million.

UT's senior associate vice president for development, David Onion, said UT's campaign raised a total of \$1.3 billion since it began in 2006. This fiscal year, the campaign has raised \$112,879,380, which is 17.6 percent ahead of last year's pace. Since the beginning of the campaign, Onion said 94,499 alumni, 84,741 non-alumni and 8,075 other donors, including foundations, associations and corporations, have made gifts to UT.

In January of 2011, UT received \$500,000 from the energy company Luminant to fund research on technology to remove and store carbon dioxide from coal emissions. The School of Information also received an \$800,000 donation from Thais Bullard's private estate to establish an endowed chair and research fund.

DONORS	
94,499	Alumni
84,741	Non-alumni
8,075	Foundations, associations and corporations

MUNY

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"To let the course go for profit

would be a mistake," said Andy Segura, a Lions Municipal employee who has been playing at the course for the last two decades. "There are too many condos out there already, and the ones downtown aren't even full."

In a city focused on remaining environmentally friendly, some players are concerned about having to tear down what little green space there already is in Central Texas.

The Lions Municipal Golf Course first opened in 1934 and has since been played by several notable golfers, including Byron Nelson and Ben Crenshaw.

"Many prestigious golfers have played here — this shows little consideration of what this course was historically," said Jesse Pena, president of the National Pan American Golf Association, who said the Board should make concessions, like rebuilding the course elsewhere.

But what supporters of Lions Municipal are most surprised by is the lack of consideration shown for community members who frequent use the course.

"What about the kids and adults that come here to play and for summer classes?" Segura said.

FEEDING FRENZY



Mary Kang | Daily Texan Staff

Charlotte Ribas, 6, and Helena Ribas, 4, feed the pigeons on Pfluger Pedestrian Bridge while their family was out to watch the annual Livestrong Austin Full and Half Marathon runners.

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est leadership in the bureau.

When U.S. Census Bureau Director Robert Groves arrived from Washington, D.C. on April 17, he faced a tense meeting with the network and other community volunteers.

"Too many people and too short of time to deal with this," according to Seifert's minutes. "We were misled from the beginning. The Census Bureau needs to take responsibility that they were engaged in a year-long misinformation campaign."

The networks also urged bureau officials to allow colonia leaders to accompany the door-to-door counters — a suggestion the bureau rejected citing confidentiality concerns. In the meeting, Groves said allowing some of the community groups to help with the count could appear as preferential treatment.

"Of course, that's what we want," Seifert said. "We want them to go

out of their way to count down here, because it is so difficult."

Every step of the way, census representatives said they did exactly that. Calling it "the Cadillac" of enumeration plans, the door-to-door method is the most costly but the most accurate, said Gabriel Sanchez, the bureau's regional director.

But target advertising is not easy for the bureau, which must distribute materials to communities across the nation. Sanchez said the bureau spent \$600 million on the national advertising campaign. Most of the census posters and other literature distributed to colonia community groups were the same mailed to other regions that received mail-in forms.

"It's kind of hard to segregate the public message when people are every day being bombarded with, 'Mail it back, mail it back,'" Sanchez said. "It's very hard to segregate that message and make sure you only hear what's important to you."

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NEWS BRIEFLY

SG candidates found innocent of breaking campaign rules

The Elections Supervisory Board ruled Friday that the executive alliance of Abel Mulugheta and Sameer Desai did not violate election codes for early campaigning.

SG presidential candidate Andrew Nash accused Mulugheta and Desai of early campaigning after Nash and his friend Veronica Becerra spotted a "Vote Abel and Sameer" TV ad at the University Teaching Center two days before official campaigning began. Nash presented the pictures of the flyers before the board during the trial.

The SG Elections Code prohibits any form of campaigning prior to the date designated by the Elections Supervisory Board, and violators could face punishments ranging from a fine to election disqualification.

After speaking with members of the campaign, Nash said the premature flier seemed to be a miscommunication, but he felt enough damage had been done for the campaign to be punished.

The defendants presented copies of e-mail correspondence between the campaign managers and Susie Brown, associate dean for business affairs at McCombs School of Business, requesting that the slides be posted from Feb. 16 to March 4. Brown said the error was a staff miscommunication and she takes full responsibility for the early post.

— Ahsika Sanders

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Where's Will?		



Courtesy of The Associated Press
This photograph, obtained by The Associated Press outside Libya and taken by an individual not employed by AP, shows people gathering during recent days' unrest in Benghazi.

More than 200 dead in Libya as protesters face opposition

By Sarah El Deeb
The Associated Press

CAIRO — Security forces loyal to Libya's Moammar Gadhafi unleashed heavy gunfire Sunday on thousands marching in a rebellious eastern city, cutting down mourners trying to bury victims in a bloody cycle of violence that has killed more than 200 people in the fiercest crackdown on the uprisings in the Arab world.

Western countries expressed concern at the rising violence in oil-rich Libya, which is sandwiched between friendly neighbors Egypt and Tunisia — where long-serving leaders were successfully toppled in recent weeks.

"We are not afraid. We won't

turn back," said a teacher who identified herself only as Omneya. She said she was marching at the end of the funeral procession and heard gunfire from just more than a mile away. "If we don't continue, this vile man would crush us with his tanks and bulldozers. If we don't, we won't ever be free."

Omneya, who spoke by telephone, said one of those being buried was a toddler killed Saturday.

Eyewitness reports trickling out of the isolated country, where the Internet has been largely shut down and journalists cannot work freely, suggested that protesters were fighting back more forcefully against the Middle East's longest-serving leader.

Benghazi is "in a state of war," said Mohamed Abdul-Rahman,

a 42-year-old merchant, who described how some protesters burned a police headquarters.

Protesters throwing firebombs and stones got on bulldozers and tried to storm a presidential compound from which troops had fired on the marchers, including those carrying coffins of the dead from Saturday's unrest in the eastern city, a witness said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Libya's rebellion by those frustrated with Gadhafi's more than 40 years of authoritarian rule has spread to more than a half-dozen eastern cities. Anger has focused on the shooting deaths of about 1,200 inmates — most of them political prisoners — during prison riots in 1996.

Cuts to public unions inflame Wisconsin

By Scott Bauer
The Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — It took Scott Walker only a few weeks to push the Capitol into political chaos.

The newly elected Republican governor of Wisconsin has set his sights on forcing public workers to pay more for benefits as he looks to balance the state's budget — savings he needs to help cover the cost of tax cuts he demanded the day he took office.

Democrats, who are no longer in power, have likened Walker to a dictator, and demonstrators protesting a contentious Walker-backed labor bill have waved signs comparing him to ousted Egyptian leader Hosni Mubarak. Even President Barack Obama has weighed in, calling the bill "an assault on unions."

Wisconsin Republicans on Sunday upped the pressure on Democrats who fled to Illinois to return home and vote on an anti-union bill. Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald said his chamber would meet Tuesday to act on non-spending bills and confirm some of the governor's appointees even if the Democrats don't show up — a scenario that should outrage their constituents.

Walker insists that his push to force concessions from public employees by doubling their health insurance contributions and requiring them to pay half their pension costs is all about balancing the budget and not busting unions. But the bill also would strip them of most collective bargaining rights.

"I got elected to get Wisconsin working again and to improve the economy," Walker said. "At the same time, it meant fixing our budget crisis."

Wisconsin faces a \$137 million budget shortfall by July. The concessions Walker seeks from the state workers would save \$30 million over four months. He would

balance the budget this year mainly through refinancing debt.

Michael Grebe, a Milwaukee business leader who has been a close Walker adviser and friend for the past 20 years, said the governor's proposal was consistent with his political philosophy and bud-

"If people are at all surprised by this, then they haven't been paying attention," Grebe said. "He really does believe in skinny budgets and protecting the taxpayers. What he's doing now is completely consistent with that."

Union leaders insist they were blindsided.

"If people are at all surprised by [Gov. Walker's budget] then they haven't been paying attention."

— Michael Grebe,
Milwaukee business leader

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Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker talks to the media Thursday at the State Capitol in Madison in response to 14 state senators leaving the state.

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“We’re seeing a backlash against the industrialization of education where we just move kids through the assembly line. Are they willing to make the change or are we going to stay with pedagogical models that haven’t changed since the 17th century?”

— George Saltzman, executive director of Abilene Christian University’s Adams Center for Teaching and Learning, on ACU’s technological innovations.

“It’s about a balanced budget amendment, and it’s about living within our means.”

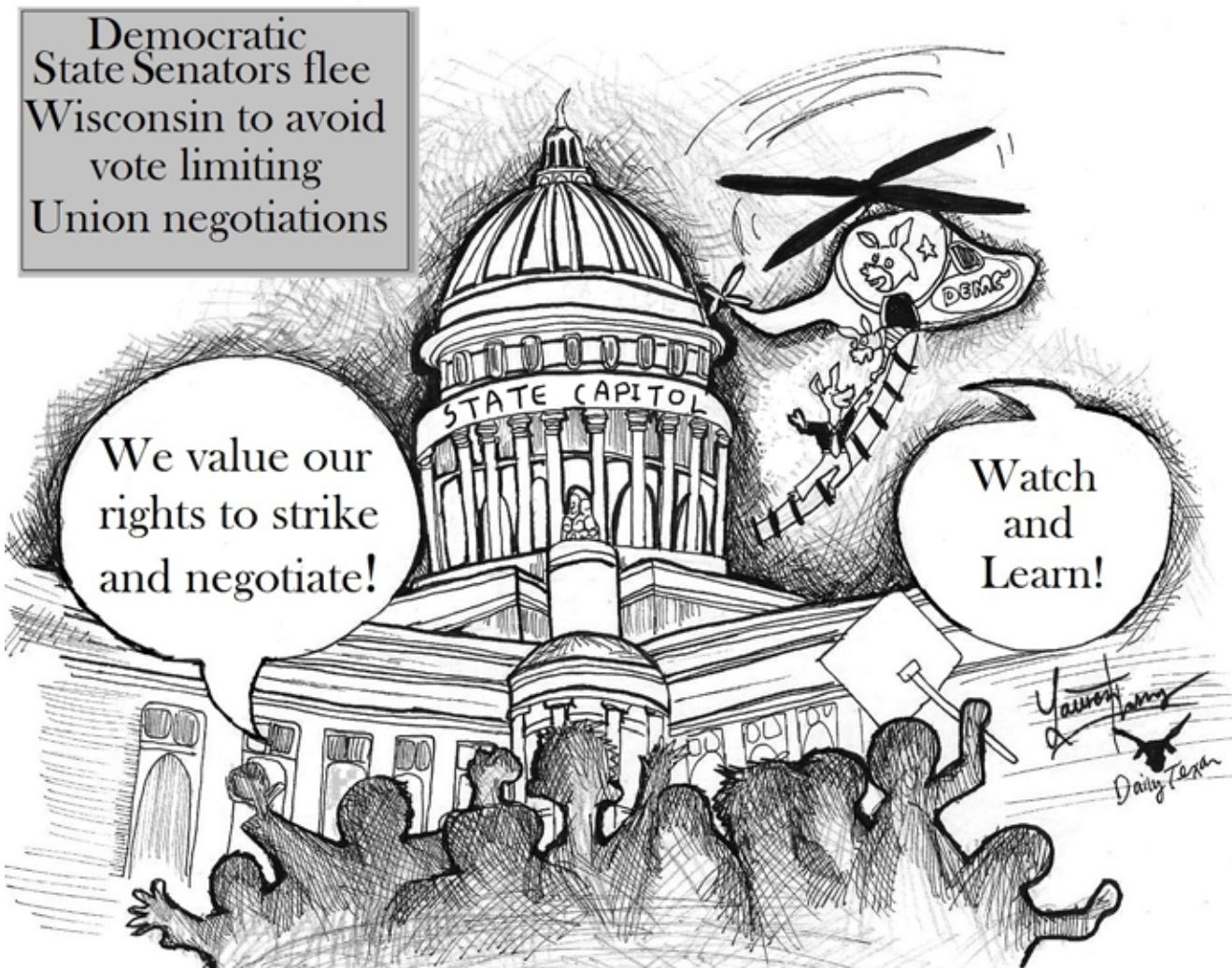
— State Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, a co-author of Senate Joint Resolution 1, which calls for a balanced federal budget, according to the Austin American-Statesman.

“This misguided policy [is] driven by emotion and not by intellect, driven by politics and not public policy.”

— Austin Police Chief Art Acevedo said regarding a proposed Arizona-style immigration law, according to the Austin American-Statesman.

GALLERY

Democratic State Senators flee Wisconsin to avoid vote limiting Union negotiations



Attend the SG debate tonight

The Daily Texan editor will moderate a candidate debate between Student Government executive alliances tonight at 7:00 p.m. in ART 1.102. If you have any questions for the candidates, send them to editor@dailytexanonline.com.

THE FIRING LINE

Come to the Better Texas walkout on Tuesday

Immigration is a hot-button issue, one in which emotions run high and scapegoats are singled out left and right. Texas is certainly not an absentee in the immigration debate. With more than 50 bills introduced in this legislative session, our Texas elected officials are taking a bold step at “fixing” our broken immigration system.

Gov. Rick Perry has placed an emergency item banning sanctuary cities in the state of Texas to “free up our peace officers and keep our families and neighborhoods safe.” “Sanctuary city” is a term given to a city that protects undocumented immigrants through practices such as not allowing police officers to ask for their immigration status. Texas security depends on communities trusting their police officers and working together to solve crimes. Mandating local police to enforce the federal immigration code strains the resources of local governments and alienates a huge sector of our society. In order to achieve national and border security, we must incorporate Texas’ immigrant communities as part of the solution. Alienating any sector of our community from law enforcement is detrimental to Texas security.

On Feb. 17, security experts, sheriffs and police chiefs from all over Texas came together at the Texas Capitol. El Paso Sheriff Richard Wiles, called this anti-sanctuary city legislation unnecessary and dangerous. El Paso is next to Ciudad Juarez, one of the most dangerous cities in the world, and yet El Paso is one of the safest cities in the country primarily due to the trust between law enforcement and the community. If these security experts don’t change the minds of our Texas legislators, I can’t imagine what will.

This legislation will have a significant impact at our school. Regardless of your ethnicity, immigration status or skin color, if these bills are passed, our campus security would be jeopardized. For this reason, UT students will be walking out of class for a Better Texas on Tuesday and convening at the Littlefield Fountain at 10 a.m. to join one of the biggest marches, which will start at Waterloo Park and end at the south steps of the Capitol. I encourage you to do the same. Texas must blaze its own path, not follow Arizona’s. Follow twitter updates from the march @ULItx.

— Loren Antonio Campos
President, University Leadership Initiative

The bizarre science and politics of death

By Brandon Curl
Daily Texan Columnist

On Tuesday, Timothy Adams is scheduled to die.

Adams, a 42-year-old Army veteran on death row who fatally shot his 19-month-old son nine years ago, will become the second person to be executed in the state of Texas in as many weeks. He will also be the 18th inmate to be put to death in Texas in the past year. What is unique about Adams, however, is that he may be the unfortunate final recipient of sodium thiopental, the anesthetic commonly used in lethal injections.

Since 1977, Texas has used lethal injections to administer the death penalty, which consists of a three-drug cocktail of sodium thiopental for sedation, pancuronium bromide to relax the diaphragm and lungs and potassium chloride to stop the heart.

But just last month, the only U.S. manufacturer of the drug, Hospira Inc. of Illinois, announced it would no longer be selling the drug after Italian authorities demanded the drug manufactured in an Italian plant not be used in capital punishment. Supply of the drug isn’t likely to improve given European opposition. Since 2008, the European Union has formally opposed the death penalty and lobbied for its abolition worldwide.

With another execution scheduled in April and sodium thiopental reserves set to expire in March, Texas joins a long list of states faced with a capital dilemma. How should we execute our prisoners?

Some states are shifting to other drugs as a substitute for sodium thiopental. In Oklahoma, pentobarbital, a sedative commonly used to euthanize animals, was used to execute John David Duty in December. Ohio is also planning on using the drug for a March 10 execution of Frank Spisak.

The state could also opt to return to previous methods of hanging or electrocution. “Old Sparky,” the name of the electric chair used in Texas from 1924 until 1964, currently resides in the Texas Prison Museum in Huntsville and is still functional, according to Jim Willett, the museum’s director.

Then, of course, there’s always death by firing squad. According to Deborah Denno, a law professor at Fordham University and frequently cited expert on the death penalty, this “most humane” form of capital punishment has been used only three times in the United States since 1976, all in Utah.

But regardless of the selected method, a shift to any new drug or procedure for capital punishment would no doubt be accompanied by a litany of appeals from death row inmates. The current three-drug cocktail was the subject of a 2008 Supreme Court case, *Baze v. Rees*, which deemed it constitutional under the Eighth Amendment. Make no mistake; we are at a crossroads as a state and nation in terms of our approach to the death penalty.

Central to this crossroads is the idea that there is no scientifically approved method of administering death. The science of death, as it were, is fundamentally in opposition to the science of medicine.

Since 1980, the American Medical Association has included an opinion in its Code of Medical Ethics in opposition to a physician’s role in capital punishment. The opinion states “a physician, as a member of a profession dedicated to preserving life when there is hope of doing so, should not be a participant in a legally authorized execution.”

Similarly, the Food and Drug Administration wants no part in the death penalty dialogue. In response to a lawsuit this month from six death row inmates about importing sodium thiopental not reviewed for safety or purity, the FDA passed the buck. “Reviewing substances imported or used for the purpose of state-authorized lethal injection clearly falls outside of FDA’s explicit public health role,” read the statement.

With the medical and regulatory community deferring, the political community and, by extension, the people, are the most likely influencers of any new, emerging form of capital punishment. Look for The University of Texas to play a role. Rob Owen of the Capital Punishment Clinic in the School of Lawmost recently testified in front of the Supreme Court last October on behalf of Henry Skinner’s death row appeal.

Whether or not you agree with capital punishment, there now exists an unprecedented opportunity to make an impact in the coming month. It’s no cliché to suggest that lives are at stake, and, in the absence of science, politics as usual will prevail.

Curl is an advertising graduate student.

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Amend voter identification law to allow for university IDs

By Holly Heinrich
Daily Texan Columnist

When the Texas Senate passed the voter ID bill on Jan. 25, Capitol offices were flooded with phone calls from constituents concerned the legislation would disenfranchise key Democratic voting blocs: minorities, low-income voters and college students. In reality, many provisions in the bill ensure these voters won’t be kept from casting ballots but other provisions could cause confusion, resulting in legitimate voters being turned away.

Senate Bill 14, which is pending in the House, requires voters to present an authorized photo ID at the polling place. At first glance, the bill seems to shut doors for those without driver’s licenses. Under the proposed legislation, college ID cards would no longer be accepted. But one key aspect of the law theoretically keeps those doors open: The Department of Public Safety is required to

provide a free personal identification certificate to any voter who requests one.

For college students, though, there are two flaws in this solution — both of which could be addressed by amending the bill to allow university IDs. One, obtaining an identification certificate involves getting to DPS, which is inherently difficult for someone who already lacks a driver’s license and car. Two, analysts have raised concerns that some election workers will turn voters away from the polls if the addresses on their driver’s licenses and voter registration don’t match. This could be a unique problem for college students who are registered to vote in their college town but have hometown addresses on their driver’s licenses. The law is unclear as to whether election workers can turn away voters based on discrepancies in their addresses; university IDs, which lack addresses, prevent that issue entirely.

Some observers fear that excluding college IDs

was a political move intended to keep students from voting. Furthermore, many were stunned to discover that concealed handgun licenses will be considered valid photo ID, a choice which seems politically charged. But an examination of the two documents makes the reasoning clearer. A Texas CHL so closely resembles a driver’s license that it could almost be mistaken for one. A student ID, on the other hand, lacks even an expiration date, leading to fears these could be used long after graduation. The remedy for protecting students’ voice in the political process may, however, be simple. If printing an expiration date on UT IDs is enough to satisfy the Legislature’s qualms about voter fraud, it seems reasonable for the University to make that minor addition and for the Legislature to amend SB 14 accordingly. Indiana and Michigan, which both require photo ID at the polls, have implemented this exact solution for college students.

There are still two potential roadblocks to SB 14, neither of which seem to worry the bill’s authors: the courts and its cost. In Missouri, a similar law was ruled unconstitutional by the state’s Supreme Court for impairing qualified citizens’ right to vote. However, voter ID laws have been upheld in Georgia and Indiana.

In a year when education and human services funding will likely be slashed, the bill’s price tag should be the strongest argument against it. According to the Legislative Budget Board, a non-partisan group tasked with analyzing legislation, enforcing SB 14 will cost an estimated \$2 million; it cannot go into effect unless included in the budget. But with legislative leadership pushing hard for its passage, even difficult economic times and better uses of state money may not keep voter ID from finding a place in the budget, even as financial aid and university funding are pushed out.

Heinrich is a government freshman.

Student radio stations unite against buyouts

By **Marty McAndrews**
Daily Texan Staff

UT's student radio station, KVRX, simultaneously broadcasted an Internet feed of a California freeform community radio station Friday afternoon to draw attention to the disappearance of student and community radio stations.

Fifteen college and community stations throughout the country broadcasted the feed to show solidarity with KUSF, a San Francisco community radio station that was sold to the media corporation Public Radio Capital without its DJs and listeners knowledge.

Because of the acquisition, the community radio station was converted to an online-only platform and will have to cut paid staff positions.

"I do not think that it's going to happen at UT, but it's a really bad trend, and I would hate to see student radio in America become a memory," said Jim Ellinger, longtime Austin community media activist.

Ellinger began his relationship with Austin student and community radio when he formed the Student Radio Task Force in 1986. The task force led to creation of 91.7 FM, the station shared by both KOOP Austin community radio and KVRX UT student radio.

Ellinger said Public Radio Capital is the single biggest threat to campus radio because the corporation bought KUSF and, among others, KTRU, Rice University's student radio station. Rice sold the station in August 2010 to the University of Houston system to operate as a nonprofit classical station.

"They don't value the stations," he said. "They don't even tell the students. The president and regents of Rice University sell their campus station for \$10 million, and they don't have the decency to even let the students know."

For Jessica Allen, art history sophomore and program director of KVRX, the consequences are more pressing.

"We're banding together in solidarity because we want to stay alive,"



Sam Houdek cues up a simulcast from KSUF, a college radio station that was sold off by the University of San Francisco. KVRX, along with other independent radio stations, showed support by transmitting a live broadcast from Amoeba Records on Friday.

Andrew Edmonson
Daily Texan Staff

Allen said.

Allen said the station suffered budget cuts last year and faces mounting problems with funding. Other than University funding, KVRX relies on donations from listeners to stay on the air. Allen said despite having to meet higher goals, the station's pledge drive is more successful than in years previous because of a dedicated staff.

"KVRX is not taking our position for granted. Since we saw

KTRU go down, we've all been afraid about the future of community and student radio," Allen said.

Joe Mathlete, sophomore at Rice University, is a DJ for KTRU, which now operates as an online-only stream.

"I love the station," Mathlete said. "It's the only place to find interesting and outsider music on the radio in Houston. When I heard the news

that it was going down and turning into an NPR station basically, it hit me hard. The format is very eclectic and exposes people to music that surprises them."

Mathlete said the display of solidarity is important at this point in time in radio homogenization.

"KTRU makes you open up your ears. If KTRU leaves the airwaves, there's nothing left," Mathlete said.

LBJ School celebrates legacy, birthday of Barbara Jordan

By **Amy Thornton**
Daily Texan Staff

The LBJ School of Public Affairs will celebrate the 75th birthday of one of its most well-known professors with a weeklong tribute to honor the life and work of Barbara Jordan.

The first black woman to serve in the Texas Legislature, Jordan led a life full of distinction both as a legislator and as an educator at the LBJ school, said Lauren Burton, one of the student organizers. Jordan's career includes the speech she made during former President Richard Nixon's impeachment hearings and the keynote address at the 1976 Democratic National Convention.

"She's an inspirational figure," said Burton, a public affairs graduate student. "To be able to speak about ethics and integrity during times like Watergate and be a friend, mentor and champion of education — that resonates with people."

Burton and a group of about 10 students have worked since last summer to make the traditionally daylong celebration of Jordan's work into a full week. One of the group's goals this year was to make students feel like they had more participation by involving numerous student organizations in the LBJ school, Burton said.

The students also wanted to make sure they had a community service portion of the week, which they accomplished by creating a fundraiser to purchase Barbara Jordan

biographies for the 50 classrooms of Barbara Jordan Elementary School in Austin. The students launched the fundraiser last week and hope to raise \$1,000 by the end of the tribute.

Each day of the tribute week will include discussions on topics such as racial inequality, women in public policy, disability policy and juvenile justice.

The keynote speaker for the kick-off luncheon Monday is Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, an LBJ school alumnus who now occupies Jordan's Senate seat.

"Barbara Jordan had a huge impact on the course of Texas and American history," Ellis said. "She was a pioneer and a living example of what was possible in America. She worked hard on policies to expand access to the American dream through expanded access to housing, credit, education and the political process."

Barbara Jordan student fellow Victoria Lippman helped organize one of the panel discussions for Thursday. The award selects students who embody characteristics consistent with Jordan's legacy.

"I felt so proud to become a Fellow because I've always looked up to her, and she has played a big role in my life," Lippman said. "When I was younger, I remember her speaking and marveling at how eloquent she was and how her voice commanded so much attention. She embodies the ideals of equality and ethics in policy."

TRIBUTE WEEK EVENTS

Monday, Feb. 21

"The Promise of Freedom, Justice and Democracy in America" keynote luncheon featuring Sen. Rodney Ellis; Bass Lecture Hall, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 22

Barbara Jordan: Speaking the Truth with Eloquent Thunder Literary Discussion; Bass Lecture Hall, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 23

Disability Policy: Current Issues and Concerns Brown Bag Discussion; SRH 3.124, 12:15 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 24

Women in Politics: Equality of Voice Panel Discussion; SRH 3.124, 5:30 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 25

"From Time Out to Hard Time: Young Children in the Adult Criminal Justice System" with senior law lecturer Michele Deitch; Bass Lecture Hall, 12:15 p.m.

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Alliance for Social Work Students of Color (ASSC)
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American Journal of Criminal Law
American Nuclear Society
American Studies Graduate Student Committee
Army ROTC Ranger Detachment
Asians in Communications
Association of Nepalese Students
Association of Orientation Alumni
Astronomy Students Association
Austin Ballroom Club
Austin Poker League - Longhorn Chapter
Bahai Association
Barbara Jordan National Forum on Public Policy
BBA Energy Finance Group
Bengali Student Association
Biomedical Optics Graduates Organization
Black Faculty and Staff Organization
Black Honor Students Association
Book'em
Burnt Orange Book Club
Business Professionals of America
Campus Opera Society
Canvas for a Cause
CANVAS - Capital Area Network for Visual Art Studies
Capoeira Angola Group
Catholic Law Students Association
Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship
Child and Family Council
Cinepreneurs
Common Lamppost
Conversation and Culture Club
Cooking Works
D.E.A.F. Deaf Events and Friends
Deaf A.C.T.
Delta Phi Beta
Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity
Diversity and Inclusion Student Council
E3W Review of Books
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European Student Association
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Feel Good (formerly Texas WATCH)
Footnotes
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Global Warming Organization
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Graduate Circle
Greeks in Business
Harvey Milk Society

Higher Education Administration Student Professional Association
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Institute of Latin American Studies Student Association (ILASSA)
International and Community Aide and Reach Effort
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Kappa Omicron Nu
Lacrosse Littles
Latinitas College Council
Latino Leadership Council
Liberal Arts Undergraduate Chapter for Research
Living Legends, Inc.
Longhorn Offroad
Longhorn Singers
Longhorn Sudoku Club (LSC)
Longhorns Speak
Mac User Group
MAG (formerly Orange Magazine)
Magic Club
Manna Project International
Material Advantage (formerly ASM/TMS)
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Nach Baliye Dance Team
National Black Law Journal - Texas Chapter
National Black MBA Association (NBMBAA) - Student Chapter
National Lawyers Guild
Non-Profit Education and Networking Association
North Shore Alumni Association
NROTC Battalion - Senior Mess Account
Nutrition Graduate Student Association
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Reenergize Texas
Riot Ink
Risen
Russkiy Mir
Safe Space
Samsara Yoga Club
Saving Grace

Shabbat 1000
Sigma Delta Pi
Sigma Pi
Singapore Students Association
Soccer Sidekicks
Society for News Design at Texas
Society of Manufacturing Engineers
Southern Legends
Student Fashion Cooperative
Student Global Aids Campaign
Student Journal of Latin American Studies
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Texas Interdisciplinary Plan Student Organization (formerly TIP Student Org.)
Texas Investment Banking Association
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Texas Roosevelt Institution
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Texas Throwers (Yo-Yo and Skill Toys Club)
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Above, Cristy Kelly and Bryan Phillips kiss while waiting for the 2011 Livestrong Austin Marathon to start in front of the Capitol on Sunday morning. Below, an exhausted Ryan Taylor receives medical assistance after he collapsed following the half marathon.



Above, runners cross the South 1st Street bridge on the 8th mile of the Livestrong Austin Full and Half marathon. Below, hundreds of spectators lined the course to cheer on the thousands of runners.



Lawrence Peart | Daily Texan Staff

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In the half marathon, Austin native and repeat winner David Fuentes came in with a time of 1:08:26, 18 seconds slower than his winning time from last year.

“I feel great,” Fuentes said. “My legs are getting a little bit sore, but it’s expected with these kind of hills in Austin. But it’s a great day. Great course. Great fans. Everything is wonderful. I mean Austin — you can’t beat it.”

Desiree Ficker, also an Austin resident, finished first among women in the full marathon and 21st overall. Ficker clocked a time of 2:50:35, three seconds faster than last year’s two-time winner, Elle Pishny.

Fort Worth native Elizabeth Eder came in 27th overall in the half marathon with a time of 1:21:56, the top women’s time for that race.

In the Paramount Break-a-Leg 5K, two Austinites came out on top: Matthew Kutugata clocked 15:29 to finish first among men and Karen Killeen was the top women’s runner with a time of 19:28.

Courtney Washer completed the wheelchair half marathon in 3:12:05.

When you get over being in shock at how many people are here, you can notice some differences, like accents,” said Matthew Pearson, a marathon runner who was competing in his first race ever. “It really doesn’t matter though. We’re all the same; we’re all trying to finish.”



Andrew Torrey | Daily Texan Staff

Keith Pierce crosses the finish line, becoming the first place runner for the second year in a row.

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The window is now open for students to apply for two at-large member positions on the UT-Austin Green Fee Committee. This committee will be responsible for soliciting, reviewing and awarding funds from the first ever UT-Austin green fee for innovative environmental projects proposed by students, staff and faculty.

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MARYLAND

Postgame brawl inspires Maryland beatdown

Altercation fires up team in series finale leading to resounding win, 3-1 start

By Jon Parrett
Daily Texan Staff

Texas head coach Augie Garrido assembled his players along the right field line before Sunday's game against Maryland. He wanted to ignite a spark in his team and make sure it didn't come out sluggish like the day before, when the Longhorns lost 10-1 in the first game of a doubleheader.

However, Texas didn't need a speech to get excited — an altercation after Saturday's second game pitted the two dugouts against each other, and players had to be separated by coaches. That altercation fired the Longhorns up, and they carried the momentum they had from Saturday night's comeback win to pound Maryland 16-0 on Sunday and take the series 3-1.

"We got fired up about it," said freshman third baseman Erich Weiss of Saturday night's scuffle. "We came out today trying to make a statement that they shouldn't be doing that to our kind of coaches and our field."

There was a different feel in the Longhorns' dugout, as they wanted to keep the momentum going after a six-run first inning. The offense never let up and failed to score only in two of the eight innings it took the field.

"Everybody was up on the railing and trying to create a fire," Weiss said. "That's what contributed to our offense."

Weiss made a statement all weekend with his offense. He hit 2-for-3 on Sunday with three runs and three RBI, and for the season, is hitting .818 with six runs and seven RBI.

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Ryan Edwards | Daily Texan Staff

Freshman infielder Erich Weiss connects with a ball in Sunday's 16-0 win over Maryland. Weiss played a big part in the victory going 2-for-3 on the day with 3 RBIs. He also leads the team with an .818 batting average to start the season.

Texas gets off to quick start, continues to stay hot on way to 16-0 win

By Trey Scott
Daily Texan Staff

Their weekend wasn't perfect, but the No. 6 Longhorns (3-1) saved their best for last in a 16-0 defeat over Maryland (1-3), in the final game of the season-opening series Sunday afternoon at UFCU Disch-Falk Field.

Texas jumped out on the Terrapins' Brady Kirkpatrick in the first inning, scoring six quick runs and

setting the pace for the rest of the day. After a sequence of bunt singles, walks and a few Maryland errors that brought the score to 3-0, sophomore Cohl Walla came to the plate with the bases loaded and a chance to deliver an early kill shot. Walla drilled a fastball down the left field line for a double, clearing the bases and giving the Longhorns a 6-0 advantage. "My approach at the plate in that situation is not to get too big,"

Walla said. "Guys try to do too much when the bases are loaded, so I try to keep the same approach. It felt good to get that hit."

The scoring didn't stop there. The Longhorns kept piling on; adding runs in the second, third, fifth, sixth and seventh innings.

"It was a very dominating game," said Texas head coach Augie Garrido. "The hitters are more relaxed when they're ahead like that. It just makes the game a lot

easier to play."

Despite the 16 runs scored, Texas as only managed to have five players with a hit.

Walla's five RBIs matched his career high, senior Tant Shepherd went two-for-four at the plate with an RBI, and senior Paul Montalbano was three-for-four with an RBI as well.

Then there were the two fresh-

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SOFTBALL | MISSOURI STATE 0, TEXAS 5

Offense off to slow start? No problem, Luna's got it

By Chris Hummer
Daily Texan Staff

The Longhorns offense started off the game a little sluggishly on Sunday, until the 6th inning when it exploded for 5 runs, on their way to a 5-0 victory against Missouri State.

Up until that point, the game had largely been a pitchers' duel, with each pitcher only allowing two hits through the first five innings in the final of the Time Warner Cable Texas Invitational championship game.

The sixth inning started off in a big way with a double in the left center field gap off the bat of freshman Taylor Thom; it was the first ball the Longhorns had really hit hard all game. The next two hitters for the team reached base, leaving the bases loaded with no outs for junior Lexy Bennett, who delivered with a two-run double to right field, which was just out of the reach of the fielder's glove.

"I was kind of nervous. I hadn't been doing so well through the first half of the game," Bennett said. "I just wanted a long fly ball or something through the infield to get a base hit and get some run-



Allen Otto | Daily Texan Staff

Sophomore pitcher Blaire Luna delivers a pitch against Missouri State on Sunday in a 5-0 victory. Luna played a key role in the game, throwing 12 strikeouts on her way to a shutout victory.

ners moving."

The team continued to lay on the pressure in the inning, scoring

three more runs, with every Texas hitter seeing the plate at least once in the inning. A big part of the

success of the inning was the hitting adjustments they made, go-

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Horns show toughness in 5-0 victory over Baylor

By Sarah Beth Purdy
Daily Texan Staff

The final game of the Time Warner Cable Texas Invitational was different than the first nine games of the Longhorn's season. Texas put Missouri State away 5-0 after a defensive stalemate in the first five innings. The Longhorns, having blown out their past nine opponents, were glad to have played a close game.

"It was nice that we had to do it in a difficult manner today," said Texas head coach Connie Clark. "When we face better pitching, we've got to be able to ... go to the short game."

Sophomore starting pitcher Blaire Luna improved to 6-0 this season with a dominating performance. Through seven innings of work, she struck

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Last unbeaten in Big 12 falls to Nebraska

By Will Anderson
Daily Texan Staff

Texas suffered its first Big 12 loss of the season on Saturday, and it came in its final regular season game against Nebraska as a conference opponent.

The Cornhuskers exacted their revenge on their way out to the Big Ten conference, which they will join in the 2010-11 school year.

"They totally dominated the second half of the game," said Texas coach Rick Barnes. "We just weren't

very good, and they spread the court out and took advantage of that."

Texas (23-4) now has an 11-1 conference record, still best in the Big 12 after Kansas lost last week to Kansas State. Nebraska improved to 6-6, fourth best in the conference, and 18-8 overall. The Huskers have only lost one game at home this season.

Nebraska stuck Andre Almeida and Jorge Brian Diaz — both 6 feet, 11 inches tall — inside and played three shorter players on the perimeter to keep Texas from driving. The Longhorns scored 14 points in

the paint to Nebraska's 38.

"I think we should have gotten the ball inside a little bit more," said Texas' Jordan Hamilton.

And at 36.4 percent, Texas had one of its worst field-goal shooting games of the year.

"They just pounded us inside, especially in the second half," explained Longhorn forward Tristan Thompson. "They wanted it more than us. They got the 50-50 balls; that's why they kicked our butts inside."

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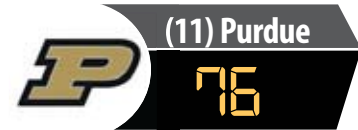


Nati Harnik | Associated Press

Texas sophomore Jordan Hamilton walks off the court Saturday disappointed with Texas' first conference loss of the season.

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NCAA BASKETBALL



LONGHORNS AT NBA ALL-STAR WEEKEND

Daniel Gibson
5th place in
3-point contest



Kevin Durant
34 points, 3 re-
bounds, 3 assists
in All-Star game;
6th in 3-point



BIG 12 MEN'S BASKETBALL

1	Texas 23-4, 11-1
2	Kanas 25-2, 10-2
3	Texas A&M 21-5, 8-4
4	Missouri 21-6, 7-5
5	Nebraska 18-8, 6-6
6	Kansas State 18-9, 6-6
7	Baylor 17-9, 6-6
8	Colorado 16-11, 5-7
9	Oklahoma St. 16-10, 4-8
10	Oklahoma 12-14, 4-8
11	Texas Tech 12-15, 4-8
12	Iowa State 1-11, 14-13

SPORTS BRIEFLY

Senior golfer on watch list for 2011 player of the year award

Longhorn senior Bobby Hudson is one of 26 collegiate golfers recently named to the watch list for the 2011 Ben Hogan Award.

The Hogan Award is regarded as the most prestigious award in men's amateur golf and is annually presented to the top golfer in Division I, II, or III, NAIA or NJCAA. Last year's winner was University of Washington's Nick Taylor.

Semifinalists for the award will be announced April 14. The three finalists will be invited to Colonial Country Club in Fort Worth, Texas, for the Hogan Award presentation on the evening of May 16.

— Nick Cremona

Young, without deal, promises not to distract teammates

Michael Young had a message for his teammates before the AL champion Texas Rangers held their first full-squad workout Sunday, and he took grounders at second base for the first time in several years.

"He said he wasn't going to be a distraction. That was it," manager Ron Washington said, relaying what Young said during a scheduled team meeting before the workout.

"I think that was what was talked about more than getting ready for the season, and I thought it was unnecessary," Young said. "The guys know me well so I wanted to say a couple of things about it and move on."

Young had requested a trade last month, but with no done deal reported to camp on time Saturday, he said was focused on getting ready for the season. He said the offseason drama wouldn't affect his preparations for the season and a new role with the team.

"First and foremost, I'm a baseball player. There's nothing to block out," he said. "For it to become public is regretful."

The longest-tenured Ranger going into his 11th season, Young has a different role for the third time in eight springs.

— The Associated Press

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Horns embarrassed by rival Sooners

By Will Anderson
Daily Texan Staff

The Longhorns are no strangers to tough losses this season. Last Saturday's game was one of those instances; Texas lost to Oklahoma by a 29-point margin.

Lackluster defense and an inability to remain focused plagued the Longhorns (17-9, 6-6 Big 12) who suffered their worst loss ever to the Sooners.

"I was more disappointed than I've ever been with our effort and focus," Texas coach Gail Goesten-kors said. "Our defense was horrendous. The worst defensive effort I've seen in a long time."

Texas racked up 25 turnovers to Oklahoma's 12. The Longhorns usually average 16.8 per game.

Even when All-American guard Danielle Robinson found herself in foul trouble, the Sooners remained poised and filled with momentum.

The last time Texas lost by such a large deficit was against Baylor in early February when the Longhorns were defeated by a margin of 28.

"We expect more from ourselves," junior guard Yvonne Anderson said. "You'd think after the Baylor game, we would learn something about how embarrassing it is to lose by this much."

But the bad taste Texas had in its mouth after Saturday's loss could be forgotten as its schedule gives it a little more than a day until it faces its next opponent.

Immediately after the Oklahoma game, the Longhorns were air bound to their next destination:

Iowa State.

With hardly any time to prepare for their nationally televised game against the 20th ranked Cyclones (18-8, 6-6 Big 12), the Longhorns cannot dwell on past losses.

The Cyclones, winners of two of their last three games, are led by one of the nation's top shooters, Kelsey Bolte. The senior guard is averaging 17.9 points per game, a mere .1 ahead of Texas freshman Chas-sidy Fussell, who averages 17.8. In nine of the team's 12 conference games this season, Bolte has scored 20 points or more. Against Texas in her career, the senior has averaged 15.5 points per game.

In its most recent win over Colo-rado, Iowa State tied a national record of 510 consecutive games with a made three-point shot.

Tonight's game will feature two notable freshman players. Both

squads feature freshman play-ers that have been named Big 12 freshman of the week sometime during this season: Fussell and Hallie Christofferson.

But rebounding after its loss to Oklahoma could prove difficult for Texas as Iowa State has at times been a challenge for the Longhorns. Last season, in their most recent matchup, the Cyclones outlasted the Longhorns in overtime as Bolte hit a three-pointer with just more than a minute left in regulation overtime. The Longhorns couldn't answer in a game that went 73-71 in the Cylcones' favor.

The Longhorns are 2-5 when playing on Iowa State's home court, with their last victory com-ing two years ago.

"We have a quick turnaround," Goesten-kors said. "We need to fix things quick."



Bryan Terry | Associated Press

Kristen Nash, left, fights with OU players for the ball in a 29-point Texas loss Saturday. It was the worst loss for Texas in the rivalry's history.

NEBRASKA
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Nebraska outrebounded Texas 39-34, the Longhorns' first deficit on the glass in Big 12 competition.

"When you see that this basket-ball team outrebounded Texas, then you have to be proud," said Nebraska coach Doc Sadler.

Following a recent trend, Tex-

as led by seven at halftime but was outscored 44-34 in the sec-ond period. The team went on a 12-1 run late but could not quite come back.

"We didn't execute right," Barnes said after the game. "They deserved to win."

The 70-67 loss was also Texas' closest final score since losing to Connecticut by one point back at the beginning of January.

When Toney McCray sunk a free throw for Nebraska with

13:53 left to play, Texas fell be-hind for the first time in seven games. At that point it was 43-42, but the Cornhuskers scored seven straight afterwards, and Texas never again led.

Three of Texas' four losses have come on the road in 2010-11. They play twice more at the Erwin Center this season, against Iowa State on Tuesday and Kansas State on Feb. 28, but face Colorado on the road and finish the regular season at Baylor.

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"I just tried to do my part for the team, and it turned out to where I got a lot of hits," Weiss said. "I'll dwell on it, and think that this next week's a new week and try to keep it going."

Weiss isn't the only freshman off to a hot start. Outfielder Mark Payton went 3-for-4 Sunday with three runs and two RBI.

"It's a good feeling, but we both think we're doing what's right for the team," Payton said. "Balls are definitely dropping for us right now, but they might not be in a little bit."

If their offense does sputter, Weiss and Payton showed Sun-day they can still be useful on defense. Payton laid out for a fly ball in the third inning, and

Weiss recorded the final out of the game by diving for the ball and making a laser throw to first base.

"The play before that, I should've gotten that pop fly, so the coaches were kind of mad," Weiss said. "So I was trying to get that to make up for it."

Freshman catcher Jacob Felts had Sunday off but hit .500 with three RBI for the weekend. Gar-rido, who said the freshmen were playing the best ball on the team, remains unsurprised by their hot starts.

"I don't like to get surprised by success," Garrido said. "If we're surprised by success, then maybe we stand in the way of it happening."

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men, third baseman Erich Weiss and right fielder Mark Payton.

Payton raised his batting av-erage to .400 with three hits and two RBIs, and Weiss continued his hot-streak with two hits and three RBIs.

So far on the young season, Weiss boasts a .818 batting av-erage with 11 hits and seven RBIs, and he has also drawn five walks.

"It feels great. Of course it feels great," Weiss said. "It's very exciting, and I'm glad I've gotten to help the team."

The offense did its job, putting runs on the board at an incredi-ble rate, while sophomore pitch-er Hoby Milner did his part to make sure the Terrapins didn't even score.

The lefty threw fire, strik-ing out 10 batters and only giving up two hits to get his first win of the year in seven innings of work.

"Hoby's performance was

the kind of performance you're always looking to get," Garri-do said. "He threw strikes, got his breaking ball over and used his fielders effectively. He main-tained the momentum we took from the offensive side."

The Longhorns came into the fourth and final game of the se-ries against Maryland hungry for a win. After winning on Fri-day and then splitting Saturday's doubleheader, a loss would have given them a 2-2 tie for the se-ries, a rather disappointing start for a team with such high expec-tations, especially against an un-ranked team.

Instead, their 16-0 win gives them the series, along with a boost of confidence and morale.

"Winning this time of year is very important because of the confidence factor," Garrido said. "We had a tough day yesterday. To come out and play your best game on a Sunday is a good sign of the players' commitment."

OFFENSE
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ing into the sixth shorting up their swings and trying to just slap the ball around.

"We started tracking the ball," Bennett said. "We were just trying to catch that changeup and curve ball she kept throwing. Once ev-eryone started keying on that, we started seeing the ball better and hitting well."

The team also received a lights-out performance from Blaire Luna, who kept the team afloat through-out the first five innings, not giving up a run and matching Missouri State pitcher Natalie Rose pitch for pitch, staying calm through-out the game despite the lack of Texas early run support.

"I try to stay the same [mental-ly]," she said. "Sometimes, it's a lit-tle harder to stay focused because of the score. Today, I didn't have much trouble focusing because of how tight the game was."

Luna ended the game with 12 strikeouts, while only giving up two hits on the day for her second complete game of the year.

The win moved Texas to 10-0 on the season and shows another way for the team to win. The Longhorns dominated throughout most of the tournament but needed a big day from Luna to finish undefeated.

"It was nice. We had to do it in a difficult manner today," said Texas coach Connie Clark. "Even coming into the tournament yesterday, we struggled with the short game."

The close win serves the team well going into their first road trip of the season, where they will face tougher pitching and some top 25 competition.

"It couldn't prepare us any bet-ter for what we are about to em-bark on, which is a little different level in terms of the pitching we face and some top 25 teams," Clark said. "It's part of the process of a real big picture and a long season, but so far so good."

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out 12 batters while only walking three. When Luna wasn't able to get the strikeout, her defense backed her up, only allowing two base hits from the 25 hitters that the Bears sent to the plate. At the close of this invitational, Luna finished with 32 strikeouts and a 0.00 ERA. She pitched two com-plete games and finished with a 3-0 record for the weekend.

With the game scoreless through its majority, Luna was able to stay focused and did not let the lack of offense rat-tle her. The few hitters that got past her didn't distract her from her game.

"[Luna is] zoned in right now, she's so focused," said senior catcher Amy Hooks. "Even if we get behind in the count, both of us have confidence we can get back up. Even when she walks, you can see it in her face that she's cleared it and is ready for the next hitter."

Even though the Texas defense

didn't give up a single run and produced several key outs, Clark believes there are still many things to work on before the con-ference schedule starts. She be-lieves that her team wasn't chal-lenged enough during the week-end to really determine the prop-er strength of the defense. On the few opportunities available, the defense was ready.

"[There were] a few opportuni-ties where we were challenged," Clark said. "Like Amy Hooks in the 0-0 ball game [when] that runner tries to steal, and she was anticipating and ready for that."

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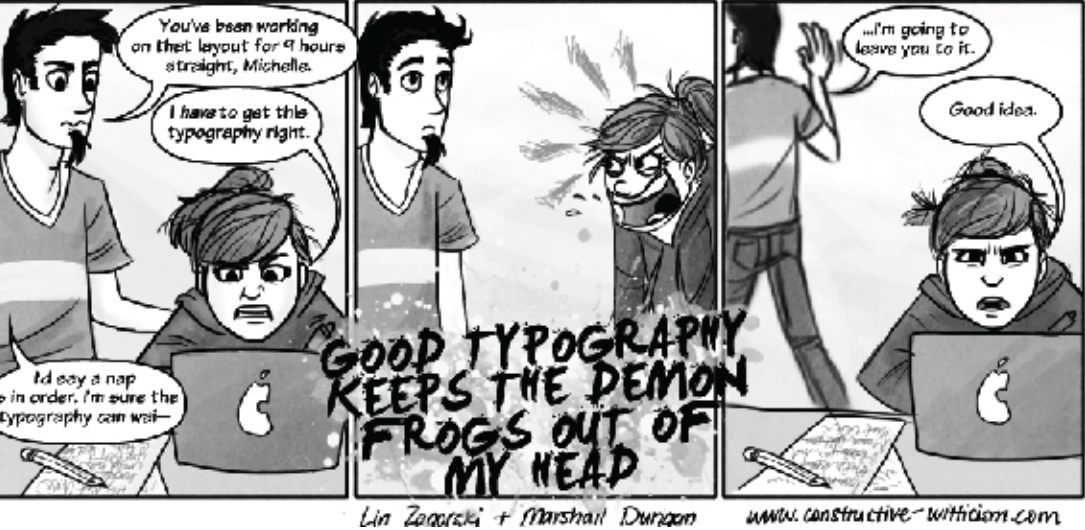
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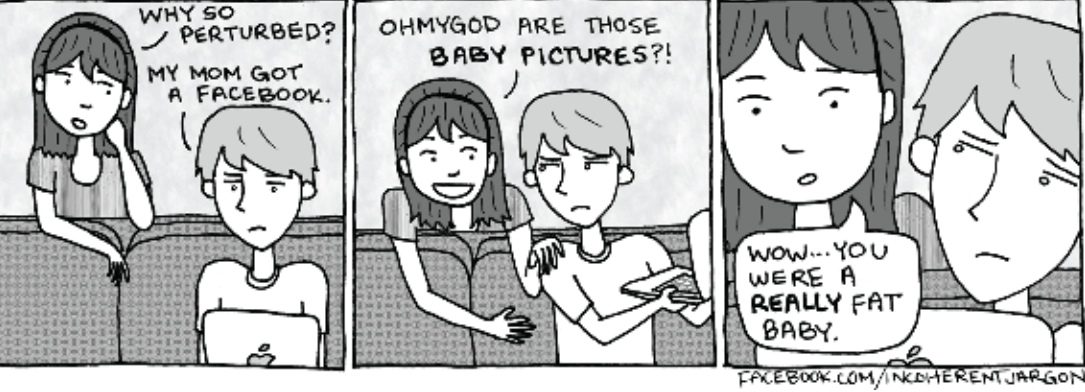
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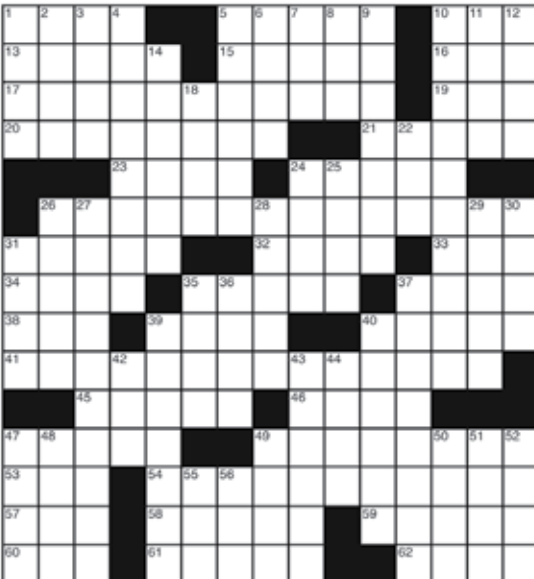
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- Across**
- 1 Plaster backing
 - 5 Bigger than big
 - 10 Wonderment
 - 13 ___ spades (highest card in a deck)
 - 15 Fully extended, as a ballerina
 - 16 San Francisco's ___ Hill
 - 17 "S.N.L." alum who co-starred in "Three Amigos"
 - 19 Gun enthusiast's org.
 - 20 Cheep eats?
 - 21 Spacious
 - 23 Westernmost of the Aleutians
 - 24 One of two on a basketball team
 - 26 His "Dance With My Father" won the 2003 Grammy for Song of the Year
 - 31 Songs
 - 32 Boxers Muhammad and Laila
 - 33 Record co. that bought Motown in 1988
 - 34 Social reformer Jacob
 - 35 Take it easy
 - 37 Thailand, once
 - 38 Sense of self
 - 39 Heirs, but not heiresses
 - 40 Actress Irene
 - 41 Traveling show of the 1970s and 2000s that originated in Cairo
 - 45 Old geezers
 - 46 ___ Piggy
 - 47 Madrid museum
 - 49 Winter headgear
 - 53 "Now is the winter of ___ discontent ..."
 - 54 They're in la-la land
 - 57 Like 1, 3, 5, 7, etc.
 - 58 Permanently, as writing
 - 59 Fruit that makes you pucker
 - 60 "For ___ a jolly good fellow"
 - 61 Names hidden in Hirschfeld sketches
 - 62 Beaver constructions
- Down**
- 1 Baby sheep
 - 2 Berry touted as a superfood
 - 3 Guam or the U.S. Virgin Isl.
 - 4 Sexy movie companions, maybe
 - 5 Spoil, as milk
 - 6 How many TV shows are now shown
 - 7 From ___ Z
 - 8 Neither's partner
 - 9 Groups of four
 - 10 Latin words before a year
 - 11 Fish bait
 - 12 Cyberauction site
 - 14 Bottles of liquor
 - 18 Post-it, e.g.
 - 22 Canadian-born hockey great
 - 24 Grand party
 - 25 Computer operating system developed at Bell Labs
 - 26 Mario's video game brother
 - 27 Things in the wallets of many laborers



Puzzle by Elizabeth C. Gorski

28 Sibelius's "___ Triste"

29 Barely sufficient

30 Identical

31 Voyage with Captain Kirk

35 Easy win

36 Tolkien's tree beings

37 Embodied

39 Substituted (for)

40 Gloomy

42 Odin or Osiris

43 Pirate map features

44 Put on the payroll

47 Winnie-the-___

48 Disrespectful

49 ___ St. Vincent

50 Disaster relief org.

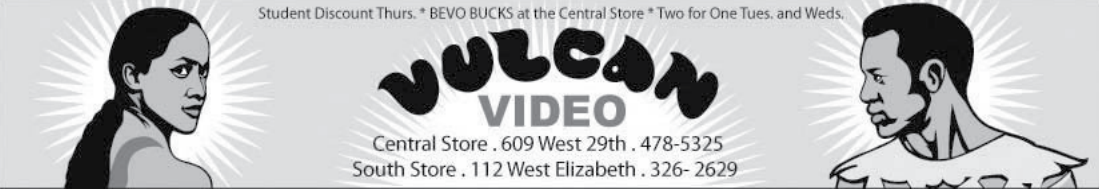
51 Partner of "to" on a gift tag

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55 "Gimme ___" (start of a cheer at Iowa)

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Corey Leamon | Daily Texan Staff

Daniel Albaugh, dressed as a chick, garnered the attention of students passing through the West Mall on Friday in order to promote Meatless Mondays on college campuses. Traveling from Norfolk, Virginia, peta2 employees gathered more than 2,000 signatures at schools nationwide.

Students push for meat-free Mondays

By Allie Kolechta
Daily Texan Staff

A giant yellow chick wandered the West Mall on Friday as students stopped to pick up "Support Meatless Mondays!" pins and sign a petition for an initiative by PETA.

Students Against Cruelty to Animals — a campus group dedicated to the humane treatment of animals — invited youth animal rights organization peta2 to petition its Meatless Mondays initiative at UT. If the Division of Housing and Food Services passes the initiative, all dining halls on campus would serve completely meatless meals every Monday.

The organization's goal is to have the initiative passed sometime this semester, said Kelsi Urrutia, SACA president and geography senior. They hope to have 3,000 signatures by the end of the week and to have the program in place in summer or fall 2011, she said.

"We've been looking for a really good cause for dorms on campus, and we knew that PETA was starting to do this Meatless Mon-

day thing," she said. "It's not just about caring for animals and being humane, it's also about the environment and other factors."

Cancer, heart disease and strokes are all linked to high animal protein intake, said student activist Lucas Solowey, a peta2 representative who graduated from Concordia University in Montreal. Switching to a vegan or vegetarian diet can reverse the effects of heart disease and lower chances of cancer, he said.

"Eating meatless meals is good for a student's health, even if it's just one day a week, not to mention that it's cheaper than meat-based meals," he said. "I came all the way from Canada to support this cause."

The petition, which states that UT can help combat issues such as climate change and student health by going vegan or vegetarian one day a week, has received an unexpectedly high amount of signatures from the student body, Solowey said.

"We've had overwhelming support with this petition," he said. "We came to the University of Texas because they've been so

supportive of our cause. Students gave word that they heard about the campaign and were happy that the school might implement the program."

The group got 2,600 signatures in three days of passing out pins in the West Mall and other high traffic areas on campus, said Ryan Huling, peta2 senior college campaign coordinator. The group will go to the Division of Housing and Food Services with the petition after it gets 3,000 signatures, and DHFS will then decide whether or not to implement the program and how to do so, he said.

Meatless meals for one day a week on campus could be beneficial, said computer science junior Jeremy Shapiro, who lived on campus this school year and renewed his contract for next year. Meatless Mondays have other pros aside from the environmental and health benefits, including cost and religious customs, he said.

"I do eat a lot of meat in the dining halls, but I'm kosher so I have to be careful about foods with meats and cheeses," he said. "If nothing had meat, I wouldn't have to worry about that."

Proposed cuts to mental health may affect success of services

By Allison Kroll
Daily Texan Staff

Texas' proposed mental health budget cuts for the next biennium could strain local treatment facilities and prisons, and UT's Counseling and Mental Health Center may not be off the chopping block.

The state mandated a 10-percent budget reduction to all state agencies, including the University, for the 2012-13 budget. The cuts trickle down to departments that set target and implementation plans. The center's current budget stands at about \$1.2 million, and the center's employees are concerned about what cuts may mean for students seeking treatment, said CMHC Associate Director Jane Morgan Bost.

"It's rather up in the air until we know what the final decision will be and the extent of the cuts," Bost said. "Mental health services at UT's Counseling Center continue to be in great demand."

Since August 2010, students paid \$5 to receive a consultation from the CMHC and University Health Services, said Student Government Vice President Muneezeh Kabir.

"This is starting to be problematic because college student suicides are

at an all-time high," Kabir said. "We want to get students the help they need as soon as and as efficiently as possible without money being a barrier."

The \$5 charge ensures the center can still provide services without cutting down on staff, Bost said.

Texas is \$27 million short of keeping the current mental health services going for about 7,200 adults enrolled in disease management or ongoing community support, said David Evans, Travis County Integral Care executive director.

"These are the people who have either been in jail, a hospital or have a psychiatric illness as such that if it weren't for these services, they could find themselves homeless or with strain within families," he said.

Any reduction in services means longer wait times and further deterioration in their illness, so lawmakers should reprioritize their recommended budget reductions, Evans said. He said the first episode of mental illness usually occurs between 18 and 25 years old, and Austin has a large college-aged population.

"You could have a college student doing well in school but have an onset of major clinical depression or bi-

polar schizophrenia," he said. "It's really important that universities help through their centers because most of these illnesses can be treated by campus health services."

The budget cuts will also affect the thousands of people seeking services in the community, he said. About 1,000 people who are in a psychiatric crisis are picked up by mental health deputies or are referred by a family member to Integral Care's crisis services, which are slated for about a 6-percent reduction, Evans said.

"I don't want to associate mental illness with violence, but in Austin, we don't want to see any tragic events occur — not due to mental illness but due to a lack of treatment, availability and support services," he said.

Daniel Smith, counseling and education manager at the Travis County Sheriff's Office, said the bottom line is it's going to cost taxpayers more money because the public is going to have to provide the treatment in jails.

"The jail is not the place where you want people entering the mental health system, but that's the direction we're going," Smith said. "We're the provider of last resort."

82ND LEGISLATURE

Concealed carry bill expected to become law

By Jim Vertuno
The Associated Press

Texas is preparing to give college students and professors the right to carry guns on campus, adding momentum to a national campaign to open this part of society to firearms.

More than half the members of the Texas House have signed on as co-authors of a measure directing universities to allow concealed handguns. The Senate passed a similar bill in 2009 and is expected to do so again. Republican Gov. Rick

Perry, who sometimes packs a pistol when he jogs, has said he's in favor of the idea.

Supporters of the legislation argue that gun violence on campuses, such as the mass shootings at Virginia Tech in 2007 and Northern Illinois in 2008, show that the best defense against a gunman is students who can shoot back.

University of Texas President William Powers Jr. has opposed concealed handguns on campus, saying the mix of students, guns and campus parties is too volatile.

Texas enacted its concealed handgun law in 1995, allowing people 21 or older to carry weapons if they pass a training course and a background check. The state had 461,724 license holders as of Dec. 31, according to the state Department of Public Safety.

Opponents of campus gun rights say students and faculty would live in fear of their classmates and colleagues, not knowing who might pull a gun over a poor grade, a broken romance or a drunken fraternity argument.

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By DAVID OUELLET

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Artist talks of religion’s influence

MUSIC MONDAY
By Francisco Marin

It took a long time for David Bazan to come to terms with his thoughts on religion. Over 11 years, Pedro the Lion released four full-length albums and five EPs, and many of the songs’ subject matter dealt with personal and religious struggles. Pedro the Lion’s music may have been popular because many people knew Bazan was a Christian and assumed that the band’s music was also religious in nature. Strangely enough, Pedro the Lion’s lyrics were incredibly dark and honest.

With Pedro the Lion’s breakup in 2005, Bazan began to work on his solo music and felt free to write even more frank lyrics. Headphones, an electronic side project, displayed more of the uncertainty that comes with being a Christian in the modern world. It wasn’t until his solo work began receiving attention in 2006 that the true nature of Bazan’s inner workings became apparent — he was no longer a Christian and wanted to tell you why.

The Daily Texan spoke with Bazan on the eve of his previous solo tour last September to October about that pivotal moment when he came to terms with religion, the biblical references in his most recent album and making out with his high school girlfriend in Fugazi.

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DT: So I’m just going to jump right into it. What is the significance of the title of your latest album *Curse Your Branches*? I know it’s a lyric in one of your songs, but what does it mean exactly?

DB: I don’t know how to exactly describe it, but I can say it’s definitely a little bit about the responsibility that parents have to their kids and a creator has to their creation. I guess in the lyrics, all fallen leaves should curse their branches for not letting them decide



David Bazan is a singer-songwriter from Seattle who first gained exposure with his indie rock band Pedro the Lion and as the lead singer of the electronic indie band Headphones. Bazan plays at La Zona Rosa tonight with Jimmy Eat World.

Photo courtesy of Lyle Owerko

where they fall. I think it’s appropriate to some people in their choice in the philosophical system, and if they veer from them, there’s some big major fallout.

DT: I noticed a lot of biblical references throughout some of the songs — phrases like “poisoned fruit” and “enchanted tree,” or “family fasting to intercede for me” — I’m wondering if you’re drawing parallels to yourself and Adam in Genesis?

DB: Oh yeah, for sure. I think I’m just referencing parallels that have been laid out in Christianity by Adam that says we are all sinners, and I’m kind of questioning those parallels because of the actions of one person who ostensibly existed, you know?

DT: I know your father helped play piano in the song “In Stitches” — it seems like he supports what you do despite the religious differences.

DB: He definitely at least challenged those notions that I grew up with. He is supportive, and he doesn’t think about these religious issues and con-

cepts. I think we have a deep mutual respect, and he knows I’m not tossing these things off willy-nilly. [He knows] that it’s a process that I’m really serious about and attempting to be really honest about; what I receive from him, verbally and nonverbally, is support.

DT: I remember speaking to you after a show in 2008 about Fugazi and how you would make out with your girlfriend while listening to the album *13 Songs*. So I take it you were a big punk fan?

DB: [laughs] Yeah, but I’ve been listening to a lot of post-punk lately. Mission of Burma, you should check that out. I’ve also been listening to this band Chromatics and an EP by The Rapture called *Out of the Races and Onto the Tracks*.

DT: Last question and it’s kind of strange: How would you describe your perfect sandwich?

DB: Right now, I’m on a BLT kind of rampage. If there’s one on the menu, I really just can’t not order it. Right before you called me, I had a BLT with avocado on it.

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years how beautiful they are, including Tavia Morra, a radio-television-film and English senior who has been dancing in Bailey’s classes since the spring of 2009.

“I remember my first class, when [Najla] said, ‘You guys don’t have to do this, but I’m going to pull up my shirt,’” Morra said. “It was a body image kind of thing, but by the end of that class, I rolled up my tank top too.”

Once she was able to see how a move looked on her body, Morra was able to perfect the moves on her belly, and it created a curiosity about the art form.

“Not only is it making your body learn, it’s training your mind,” Morra said. “It’s about knowing your mind and where it’s going.”

Morra even recalls from earlier classes that when a move was not familiar to the dancers, Bailey would take a mental note of it and then drill it over and over again until the movement seemed to flow through the body.

“There really is this idea that the dancer should embody the music,” Bailey said. “If someone was deaf, they should be able to hear the music on her body.”

Bailey learned to appreciate the music and attributes of many of the 4,000 songs on her iPod to her love of the wide variety of belly dancing sound tracks.

Also like the music, belly dancing itself has many unique flavors and variations. There’s the more glamorized cabaret version, gener-

ally costumed with sequined and rhinestone bras and belts of a tribal style, with crop tops, ruffled skirts, toe rings and an overall earthy feel.

“There’s just so many variations now. There’s even some Goth and hip-hop variations out there,” Bailey said. “If you think about what you see in music videos, there are less and less hip scarves. The nuances in belly dance have changed drastically.”

Even though there are different histories behind these variations, they all stem from the same art form.

“It’s an art form. It’s a dance. It grows; it changes regardless of who’s dancing it,” Bailey said and then began to laugh. “Unless it’s bad dancing.”

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Although it’s not strictly an epistolary novel, much of “A Widow’s Story” is taken straight from Oates’ own journal notes and also includes some of her personal e-mails to friends and colleagues written in the wake of Ray’s death, allowing for an incredibly intimate glimpse into Oates’ vulnerable state of mind.

Oates eventually finds solace in sleeping pills, prescribed to her by two different physicians for her

anxiety-induced insomnia. Several times, Oates contemplates taking them all at once, unable to envision a life without her formerly constant companion.

In the end, Oates manages to find hope in the small moments of relief and happiness that life continues to bring in the face of seemingly overwhelming hopelessness. Oates gets treatment for her depression and insomnia, and takes refuge in the outpouring

of friendship she receives in her time of grief.

“This is my life now,” Oates writes. “Absurd, yet unpredictable. Not absurd because unpredictable but unpredictable because absurd. If I have lost the meaning of my life, and the love of my life, I might still find small treasured things amid the spilled and pilfered trash.”

Grade: B+

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model pose. While the Oscars are self-indulgent, Hollywood doesn’t like when someone blatantly reveals his or her ego. With that, Leo may have a lost a split of votes to her co-star Amy Adams and left the field open for Hailee Steinfeld as the tough Western girl in “True Grit.” The Oscar voters have a history of awarding this category to young up-and-comers. There’s always at least one surprise every year, and this may very well be it.



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Though not the front-runner, Hailee Steinfeld may still capture “Best Supporting Actress” for her performance in “True Grit.”

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Chris Bailey instructs her students during a belly dancing class at Tarrytown Dance Studio on Sunday night. Bailey, who prefers her stage name 'Najla', has been dancing in Austin for more than a decade.

DESTINED TO DANCE

By Lindsey Cherner

On the first day of class, the dance instructor asked each girl why they were there, and each girl said, "I want to be on stage." But Chris Bailey just wanted to take the class.

"It's funny, I never saw them again," Bailey said. "But here I am today all these years later still dancing."

That first class was in the Texas Union Ballroom in 1997. Ironically, Bailey decided to take the class because she was newly single, had the time on her hands and wasn't the type of person to sit around. She had danced on drill team before but was ready for something different.

After taking classes for a few years, UT's only belly dance troupe, Mirage, invited her to join them. Although Mirage and in-

formal classes disbanded a year ago, the ladies from Mirage can still be found dancing around the Austin community.

With the invitation to join Mirage in hand, Bailey realized the importance of a stage name that most dancers choose to use for either privacy reasons or for an alter ego. She settled on the name Najla, which translates to beautiful wide-eyed.

"Chris just isn't very exotic sounding," Bailey said. "I wanted something more poetic."

Coincidentally, the first name she chose, which she believed was already taken, was no longer in use by that dancer. Even more coincidentally, another "Najla" moved to Austin and joined her same dance troupe a few weeks later.

Although she loved the performance aspect of dance, she also loved seeing the advancement of others. So when one of the ladies became pregnant, Bailey was offered the opportunity to teach and couldn't refuse.

Eventually, Bailey's teaching landed her a job at Tarrytown Dance, where she teaches lessons ranging from beginners to the choreography level on Sunday nights. Her dance instruction gives students the proper foundations they'll need for the classroom or if they choose to perform at a higher level. The majority of the movement comes from the legs, glutes, hamstrings and, of course, the core stomach muscles for control.

"The heart of the dance is about moving your hips," Bailey said. "A

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woman's center of gravity is her pelvis, so it's really about engaging the lower body."

She also puts emphasis on being able to accept your body, no matter where you are.

"I'm not some skinny-mini," Bailey said. "I have some young girls come in that are beautiful that don't see how actually beautiful they are. It's a great process to see someone who once criticized themselves see the beauty."

Bailey has been able to show many young women over the

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'Fighter' nominees prepare themselves for another round



Oscar Outlook

By Christopher Nguyen

Best Supporting Actor

Christian Bale, "The Fighter"
John Hawkes, "Winter's Bone"
Jeremy Renner, "The Town"
Mark Ruffalo, "The Kids Are All Right"
Geoffrey Rush, "The King's Speech"

For years, Christian Bale has applied an inhuman-like intensity to his films, training, researching and perfecting his appearance to the character. Yet, Oscar voters did not take notice until he could combine this with another thing Oscar voters love: an inspirational tale of a boxer from the perspective of the working class. Bale looks to win on his first nomination, and although he is notorious for his volatile at-

titude and unsocial behavior, Bale has charmingly and perfectly received each award, making his Oscar win a no-brainer.

Best Supporting Actress

Amy Adams, "The Fighter"
Helena Bonham Carter, "The King's Speech"
Melissa Leo, "The Fighter"
Hailee Steinfeld, "True Grit"
Jacki Weaver, "Animal Kingdom"

Melissa Leo had the category in the bag as the hard-nosed mother of the main character in "The Fighter." As awards season wore on, her antics may have gotten the best of her and cost her the golden man. First came the weird acceptance speeches at the Screen Actors Guild Awards and the Golden Globes. Then, she financed her own full-page "for your consideration" ads that awkwardly had her glammed up in a fur coat and shoulder-forward super-

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Nominated for Best Supporting Actor for his role in "The Fighter," Christian Bale is a favorite for winning the Oscar.

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BOOK REVIEW | A WIDOW'S STORY

Acclaimed author depicts her journey through grief

By Katie Stroh
Daily Texan Staff

On Feb. 18, 2008, Raymond Smith, husband of acclaimed author Joyce Carol Oates for 48 years, died of complications of pneumonia. Oates' memoir, "A Widow's Story," details her grief, a near universal yet incredibly personal emotion, and her journey to become whole again.

Oates is one of America's most prolific authors, having published more than 50 novels, as well as

several volumes each of poetry, short stories and nonfiction. But for all of Oates' illustrious and experienced career, she admits that she had never before truly experienced grief. The unexpected death of her husband Ray, although devastating, made for fertile subject matter.

"A Widow's Story" is touching, engrossing and, on occasion, surprisingly funny in its own wryly bleak way. Oates writes, "I am thinking of having a T-shirt printed: Yes My Husband Died. Yes I

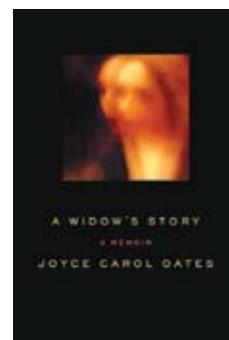
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When Oates' husband comes down with pneumonia completely out of the blue one grey February morning, doctors are optimistic. Death never runs through Oates' mind, and she anxiously prepares her home for Ray's return. Ray runs into trouble, however, when he contracts a secondary infection in his lung because of his weakened state.

When Oates receives a call from

the hospital late one night telling her that her husband's heart rate has "plummeted," Oates forces herself to calmly drive the speed limit on the way to the hospital. She arrives too late; by the time she enters Ray's room, there is nothing more to do. She realizes with a sickening dread that Ray has died among strangers.

A sense of intense guilt runs through "A Widow's Story." Oates constantly questions her decision to keep Ray at Princeton Memorial Hospital, knowing he might



A Widow's Story

Joyce Carol Oates
Genre: Memoir
Pages: 415
For those who like: "The Year of Magical Thinking" by Joan Didion, "Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close" by Jonathan Safran
Grade: B+

have had better care elsewhere; she punishes herself for having driven carefully and slowly on the way to the hospital, thinking she might have been with Ray in his final minutes.

Oates describes this creeping

guilt as a basilisk, "something glimpsed at the bottom of the sea ... [with] not-living eyes — beady dead eyes like gems," ready at any time to overcome her.

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